Section II-(A)-b

## Land Classification Interpretations

## Prime and Important Farmland

Prime farmland is land that has the best combination of physical and chemical characteristics for producing food, feed, forage, fiber, and oilseed crops, and is also available for these uses (the land could be cropland, pastureland, forest land, or other land, but not urban built-up land or water). It has the soil quality, growing season, and moisture supply needed to economically produce sustained high yields of crops when treated and managed, including water management, according to acceptable farming methods.

In general, prime farmlands have an adequate and dependable water supply from precipitation or irrigation, a favorable temperature and growing season, acceptable acidity or alkalinity, acceptable salt content, and few or no rocks. They are permeable to water and air. Prime farmlands are not excessively erodible or saturated with water for a long period of time, and they either do not flood frequently or are protected from flooding.

This section includes lists of soil survey map units that meet the soil requirements for prime farmland in the county and state. Soils that have limitations, such as a high water table or flooding, may qualify as prime farmland if these limitations are overcome by such measures as drainage or flood control. State important soils are also noted.

This subsection includes:

- (a) County Prime Farmland List
- (b) Missouri's Soil Survey Mapping Units Denoting Prime Farmland and Farmland of Statewide Importance

## Prime Farmland

(Only the soils considered prime farmland are listed. Urban or built-up areas of the soils listed are not considered prime farmland. If a soil is prime farmland only under certain conditions, the conditions are specified in parentheses after the soil name.)

Map symbol	Soil name   
50000	Adco silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes
50003	Mexico silt loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes
50004	Mexico silt loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes, eroded
50012	Putnam silt loam, 0 to 1 percent slopes (where drained)
60010	Arisburg silt loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes
60011	Arisburg silt loam, 3 to 6 percent slopes, eroded
60019	Hatton silt loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes, eroded
60022	Leonard silt loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded (where drained)
60023	Marion silt loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes
60026	Weller silt loam, bench, 2 to 5 percent slopes
60027	Weller silt loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes, eroded
64002	Freeburg silt loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes
64004	Auxvasse silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, rarely flooded
64005	Moniteau silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes, occasionally flooded (where drained)
64006	Tanglenook silt loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes, rarely flooded (where drained)
66007	Leta silty clay, 0 to 2 percent slopes, occasionally flooded (where drained)
66014	Haymond silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes, frequently flooded (where protected from
	flooding or not frequently flooded during the growing season)
66015	Blake silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, occasionally flooded
66016	Blake silty clay loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, frequently flooded (where protected
	from flooding or not frequently flooded during the growing season)
66017	Cedargap-Dameron complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes, frequently flooded (where
	protected from flooding or not frequently flooded during the growing season)
66018	Darwin silty clay loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, occasionally flooded (where drained)
66019	Haynie loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, occasionally flooded
66020	Haynie silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, frequently flooded (where protected from
	flooding or not frequently flooded during the growing season)
66021	Perche loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, frequently flooded (where protected from
	flooding or not frequently flooded during the growing season)
66022	Sandover sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes, occasionally flooded
66024	Wilbur silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, frequently flooded (where protected from
	flooding or not frequently flooded during the growing season)
66025	Jemerson silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes, rarely flooded